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NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

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FOLLOWING DISCUSSION SEPT. 15 WITH MAURITANIAN MINISTER OF
STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAMDI OULD MOUKNASS ON UPCOMING IS-
SUES AT 31ST UNGA(SEPTEL), I ASKED MINISTER FOR HIS IMPRESSIONS
OF COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. HE DESCRIBED SESSION AS UN-
QUALIFIED SUCCESS AND ONE WHICH EMPHASIZED UNITY RATHER THAN DIS-
UNITY. IN OBLIQUE REFERENCE TO ALGERIAN EFFORTS TO RAISE WEST-
ERN SAHAR QUESTION, MOUKNASS SAID ACTIVITIES BY CERTAIN COUNTR-
IES FAILED TO DIVIDE CONFERENCE. MOUKNASS CLAIMED THAT INDIA,
YUGOSLAVIA, SRI LANKA, AND SAUDI ARABIA WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN
PRESSING UNITY THEMES. FOREIGN MINISTER THOUGHT CONFERENCE
WAS USEFUL IN FURTHERING DIALOGUEBETWEEN DEVELOPED AND UNDER-
DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON THIS
STATEMENT. SHINN

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